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First Named Inventor	Tadepalli, Srinivas
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	
Filing Date	June 27, 2001
Group Art Unit	
Examiner Name	

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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**Downstream Finned Stripper Shroud Airstream Conditioning Apparatus for a Disc Drive**

the specification of which:

*(Title of the Invention)*

is attached hereto  
OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) **June 27, 2001** as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number  and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)  (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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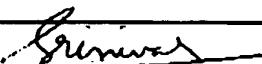
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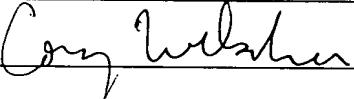
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Docket:	STL9760		

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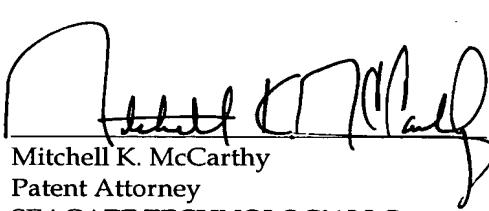
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Respectfully submitted,

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